



## VENDOR UPDATE SPRING 2007

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### Changes Are Coming!

AGENCY	PARTICIPANT ID NO.	NAME OF PARTICIPANT (LAST, FIRST, M.I.)		CHECK NUMBER
010101	200 418 732	TEST, CHILDS A.		29936691
FIRST DATE TO SPEND	DATE RECEIVED	DATE TO SPEND ONLY	LAST DATE TO SPEND	CARRIER FILL IN EXACT AMOUNT OF SALE
March 29, 2007			April 04, 2007	
FOOD PACKAGE: C2/C3/C4-ALL MILK		PARTICIPANT OR PROVIDER SIGN FOR PRICE CORRECTION ONLY		
TO BE USED FOR THESE ITEMS & QUANTITIES ONLY:		CHECKS NOT VALID UNLESS STAMPED BY AUTHORIZED WIC VENDOR		
2 gals unflavored pasteurized fluid milk 36 ounces or less cereal				
DOLLARS		CENTS		
Maryland WIC Program		VENDOR MUST DEPOSIT WITHIN 30 DAYS OF		

The Office of the Maryland WIC Program would like to announce important changes that will affect all WIC authorized vendors. Beginning in May, the stock on which WIC checks are printed will change. The new check stock has important security features and is a different color than the old check stock. WIC Vendors will be required to accept WIC checks printed on both stocks until the transition to the new stock is completed. For more information, please contact James A. Butler at 410-767-5258 or 1-800-242-4WIC (4942) toll free.

### WIC Vendor Advisory Committee

The first Maryland WIC Vendor Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled to be held on May 30, 2007.

Registration notices will be mailed to all WIC authorized storeowners. There are important program changes occurring this year that will affect all WIC vendors and your participation is strongly valued and encouraged. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact James A. Butler at 410-767-5258 or 1-800-242-4WIC (4942) toll free.



### Manual WIC Checks

PARTICIPANT ID NO.	NAME OF PARTICIPANT (LAST, FIRST, M.I.)		
MANUAL	SAMPLE PARTICIPANT		
DATE RECEIVED	STORE USE ONLY	LAST DATE TO SPEND	
FEB 15, 2007		FEB 15, 2007	CA

Please be reminded that from time to time, the WIC Program may issue manual WIC checks to participants. The only difference between a manual WIC check and a computer generated WIC check is that the dates to spend and the Participant's name is hand written on the check. The Participant I.D. number box will contain the word "Manual." WIC vendors are required to accept valid manual checks. If you have questions or are uncertain about a manual check, please contact the Local WIC Agency on the customer's WIC identification folder or call this office at 1-800-242-4WIC (4942).

### New Product Alert

Nestlé, makers of Juicy Juice®, has introduced a new variety of Juicy Juice® called Juicy Juice Harvest Surprise™. This new juice is **not** Maryland WIC authorized.



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## 2007 Cashier Training Schedule

A schedule of 2007 cashier training dates is included with this Vendor Update. Cashier training is optional and is offered by the WIC Program free of charge to help you keep your cashiers properly trained. Please see the upcoming dates provided below.

Queen Anne's	April 16	Garrett	May 23
Wicomico	April 19	Prince George's	May 24
Howard	April 27	Anne Arundel	May 29
Frederick	May 7	Cecil	May 30
Harford	May 8	Montgomery	June 4
Baltimore City	May 9	Baltimore City	June 13
Washington	May 10	Allegany	June 14
Caroline	May 14	Carroll	June 22
Baltimore Co.	May 17		

To take advantage of this training, please select a date and site your store trainer and/or cashiers would like to attend, complete the registration form and mail or fax it at least five days in advance of the training date to:

Office of the Maryland WIC Program  
Vendor Operations & Compliance Unit  
201 W. Preston Street, Baltimore, MD 21201

The fax numbers are 410-333-5683 or 410-333-5243. The schedule is also available online in pdf format at [www.mdwic.org](http://www.mdwic.org). If you have any questions, you may contact your WIC Local Agency, or this office at 410-767-5258 or 1-800-242-4WIC (4942) toll free.

## New Staff

The Office of the Maryland WIC Program is pleased to welcome Deanna Whittington to the WIC team! Ms. Whittington joins the Vendor Operations and Compliance Unit as a Vendor Authorization and Training Specialist. Prior to coming to WIC, Ms. Whittington worked as a court clerk for the Circuit Court of Baltimore City. She has 20 years of State service. In her new capacity, Ms. Whittington will assist in the vendor authorization process and provide vendor training. Deanna can be reached at 410-767-5433 or by email at [dwhittington@dnhm.state.md.us](mailto:dwhittington@dnhm.state.md.us). You may also call toll free at 1-800-242-4WIC (4942).



## Moving or Selling Your Store?



If you are moving or selling your store, please notify the Maryland WIC Program at least 15 days in advance. **Selling your store does not transfer your WIC authorization!** The new owner must apply to the Maryland WIC Program for authorization. You are also required to return your WIC vendor stamps to the Maryland WIC Program. If you are planning to sell or relocate your store, or have any other questions, please contact JoAnn McGowen at 410-767-5251 or 1-800-242-4WIC (4942) toll free.

## Vendor Feedback

We want to make your participation in the WIC Program a rewarding experience. **WE NEED YOU!** Your input is valued and strongly encouraged. If you have suggestions or comments, please feel free to contact James A. Butler at 410-767-5258 or 1-800-242-4WIC (4942) toll free.



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